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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR KING HASSAN FROM SECRETARY VANCE

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY TO  
KING HASSAN AT YOUR EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

YOUR MAJESTY: I WANT YOU TO KNOW IMMEDIATELY HOW MUCH I  
APPRECIATE HAVING THE VIEWS WHICH YOU EXPRESSED IN YOUR  
MOST THOUGHTFUL EXCHANGE WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY SAUNDERS  
IN CASABLANCA LAST WEEK. HE HAS REPORTED TO ME IN DETAIL  
ON ALL ASPECTS OF YOUR CONVERSATION.

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FIRST LET ME SAY THAT THE PRESIDENT AND I ARE VERY  
PLEASED THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO VISIT WASHINGTON LATER  
THIS YEAR. I WILL ASK AMBASSADOR ANDERSON TO BE IN TOUCH  
WITH YOU IN THE MIDDLE OF AUGUST TO WORK OUT WITH YOU  
SPECIFIC DATES IN THE PERIOD BETWEEN NOVEMBER 10 AND THE  
END OF THE YEAR. THE PRESIDENT AND I ARE BOTH LOOKING

FORWARD TO THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS IN DETAIL WITH YOU  
THE MANY ISSUES IN WHICH WE SHARE COMMON INTEREST.

ON THE ARAB-ISRAELI QUESTION, I AM GLAD YOUR MAJESTY HAS

ALREADY GIVEN THOUGHT TO THE IMPORTANT QUESTION OF HOW TO  
BROADEN ARAB SUPPORT FOR THE NEGOTIATIONS AS THEY ARE NOW  
BEING CONDUCTED. I HOPE YOU WILL CONTINUE TO GIVE CAREFUL  
THOUGHT TO THE QUESTIONS MR. SAUNDERS RAISED WITH YOU  
ABOUT THE TIMING OF ANY FUTURE ARAB SUMMIT CONFERENCE AND  
OF HOW THE PREPARATIONS FOR SUCH A MEETING SHOULD BE  
HANDLED SO AS TO ASSURE AN OUTCOME WHICH WOULD HELP RATHER  
THAN HINDER THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS. WE WILL WANT TO  
STAY IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH YOUR MAJESTY AS THE NEGOTIATIONS  
PROCEED SO THAT YOUR EFFORTS AMONG ARAB LEADERS WILL TAKE  
PLACE AGAINST A BACKGROUND OF INTIMATE KNOWLEDGE OF  
EXACTLY WHERE THE NEGOTIATIONS STAND.

I ALSO APPRECIATE THE SPIRIT IN WHICH YOUR MAJESTY AND  
YOUR COLLEAGUES ARE WORKING WITH US TO PUT BEHIND US THE  
SENSITIVE ISSUE THAT HAS ARISEN WITH REGARD TO MOROCCAN  
USE OF AMERICAN-SUPPLIED EQUIPMENT. WE WANT TO MOVE  
AHEAD NOW ON MOROCCO'S LATEST REQUESTS FOR MILITARY  
EQUIPMENT, AND WE CAN DO SO AS THIS ISSUE IS PUT BEHIND  
US. I BELIEVE IT IS ALSO WELL TO HAVE RESOLVED THAT  
PROBLEM BEFORE YOUR MAJESTY'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON.

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AGAIN, YOUR MAJESTY, I AM DELIGHTED WITH THIS LATEST  
OPPORTUNITY FOR AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
ITS CONTINUATION THROUGH THE FALL AND THEN WHEN YOU COME  
HERE. SINCERELY, CYRUS VANCE. (END TEXT.)

FOLLOWING IS FRENCH TRANSLATION OF TEXT:

MAJESTE,

JE M'EMPRESSE DE FAIRE SAVOIR A VOTRE MAJESTE COM-  
BIEN J'APPRECIE LES VUES QU'ELLE A EXPRIMEES LA SEMAINE  
DERNIERE, A CASABLANCA, AU COURS DE L'AUDIENGE QU'ELLE A  
BIEN VOULU CONSENTIR A M. SAUNDERS, SECRETAIRE D'ETAT  
ADJOINT, QUI M'EN A FAIT UN RAPPORT DETAILLE.

QUE VOTRE MAJESTE ME PERMETTE TOUT D'ABORD DE LUI  
SIGNALER QUE LE PRESIDENT ET MOI-MEME SOMMES TRES HEUREUX  
D'APPRENDRE QU'IL LUI SERA POSSIBLE DE SE RENDRE A  
WASHINGTON DANS LE COURANT DE L'ANNEE.

JE PRIERAI L'AMBASSADEUR ANDERSON DE DEMANDER AUDIENCE

A VOTRE MAJESTE A LA MI-AOUT AFIN QUE SOIT FIXEE LA DATE  
DEVANT SE SITUER ENTRE LE 10 NOVEMBRE ET LA FIN DE L'ANNEE.  
LE PRESIDENT ET MOI-MEME NOUS REJOUISSONS DE LA POSSIBILITE  
DE NOUS ENTRETENIR AVEC VOTRE MAJESTE DES NOMBREUSES  
QUESTIONS AUXQUELLES NOUS PORTONS LE MEME INTERET.

EN CE QUI CONCERNE LA QUESTION ARABO-ISRAELIENNE,  
JE SUIS TRES HEUREUX DE CONSTATER QUE VOTRE MAJESTE S'EST  
DEJA PENCHEE SUR L'IMPORTANT QUESTION DE SAVOIR COMMENT  
OBTENIR UN PLUS GRAND APPUI ARABE POUR LA MODALITE DES  
NEGOCIATIONS EN COURS.

J'OSE ESPERER QUE VOTRE MAJESTE CONTINUERA D'APPORTER  
UNE ATTENTION TOUTE PARTICULIERE AUX QUESTIONS SOULEVEES  
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PAR M. SAUNDERS QUANT A LA DATE DE TOUT SOMMET ARABE  
FUTUR ET A LA PREPARATION D'UN TEL SOMMET, AFIN QUE SON  
RESULTAT SOIT UNE AIDE PLUTOT QU'UNE ENTRAVE AU PROCESSUS  
DES NEGOCIATIONS. NOUS NOUS PROPOSONS, AU FUR ET A MESURE  
QUE LES NEGOCIATIONS SE POURSUIVRONT, DE RESTER EN  
CONTACT ETROIT AVEC VOTRE MAJESTE AFIN QUE SES ACTIONS AU  
SEIN DU GROUPE DES DIRIGEANTS ARABES SE BASENT SUR UNE  
CONNAISSANCE APPROFONDIE DES PROGRES REALISES.

- J'APPRECIE EGALEMENT L'ESPRIT DANS LEQUEL VOTRE  
MAJESTE ET SES COLLABORATEURS OEUVRENT AVEC NOUS AFIN DE  
REGLER LA DELICATE QUESTION SOULEVEE A L'EGARD DE

L'UTILISATION D'EQUIPEMENT AMERICAIN PAR LE MAROC.  
CETTE QUESTION ETANT REGLEE, NOUS DESIRONS MAINTENANT  
NOUS TOURNER VERS LES RECENTES DEMANDES MAROCAINES  
D'EQUIPEMENT MILITAIRE. JE SUIS CONVAINCU QU'IL EST  
EGALEMENT PREFERABLE QUE CE PROBLEME AIT ETE RESOLU AVANT  
LA VISITE DE VOTRE MAJESTE A WASHINGTON.

QU'IL ME SOIT ENCORE PERMIS, MAJESTE, DE VOUS  
EXPRIMER MA SATISFACTION A L'EGARD DE LA POSSIBILITE QUI  
NOUS EST DONNEE D'ECHANGER NOS VUES. NOUS ENVISAGEONS  
AVEC PLAISIR LA CONTINUATION DE CES ECHANGES JUSQU'A  
L'AUTOMNE PROCHAIN AINSI QUE LORS DE LA VISITE DE VOTRE  
MAJESTE A WASHINGTON. VANCE

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